

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO.:

FILED: Herewith

TITLE: MEANS FOR PROTECTING AN AUTOMATIC MONEY HANDLING MACHINE OR
A COMPUTER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of the present application, and prior to an initial Official Action on this matter, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Preliminary Amendment: SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

IN THE ABSTRACT

On page 32, in the Abstract, please amend the paragraph as follows:

A means for protecting device for an automatic money handling machine ~~(1)~~, comprising includes an upper surface of the automatic money handling machine being formed flat, a base plate ~~(3)~~, a housing space ~~(5)~~ for housing the automatic money handling machine being formed under the base plate, the base plate having an opening ~~(7)~~ through which the automatic money handling machine is passed, and the opening continuing to the housing space. The automatic money handling machine is usually held over the opening by a supporting ~~means (9)~~ device so as to protrude above the base plate. The supporting function of the supporting ~~means~~ device is cancelable. The automatic money handling machine drops downwardly into the housing space so as not to protrude above the base plate when the supporting function of the supporting ~~means~~ device is canceled. It is impossible to take away money contained in the automatic money handling machine even by means of heavy construction or destruction machines.